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OFFICE OF THE
LOCAL HISTORIC PROPERTIES COMMISSION

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Minutes – Regular Meeting – November 8, 2018

Chairman Hurd called the meeting to order at 7:32 PM at the Vernon Historical Society.

- 1.0 Roll Call - Members present were Hurd, Nelson, and Alternates Trapp who sat for Saucier, Sierakowski who sat for Quinn and Nicholson who sat for Iacobello who entered at 8:20 PM for item 4.1. Absent were Quinn and Saucier, Also present was Shaun Gately, Economic Development Coordinator. Representing Strong Family Farm were Board Member Wendy Wanchak of 42 Peterson Road and Director Seana Weaver.
- 2.0 Approval of Minutes
 - 2.1 Public Hearing – September 13, 2018 – A motion to approve the minutes as presented was made by Trapp, seconded by Nelson. The motion was approved with Nicholson abstaining.
 - 2.2 Regular Meeting – October 11, 2018 – A motion to approve the minutes as presented was made by Sierakowski and seconded by Trapp. The motion was approved with Hurd and Nicholson abstaining.
 - 2.3 Public Hearing – October 11, 2018 – A motion to approve the minutes as presented was made by Trapp, seconded by Sierakowski. The motion was approved with Nicholson and Hurd abstaining.
- 3.0 Communications – Notification of application for cell communication renewal, not pertinent to this commission
- 4.0 Review of PZC, ZBA, and Demolition Applications
 - 4.1 Application for Special Permit and Site Plan Approval, PZ 2018-13, Strong Family Farm – Recused for this item were Hurd, Nelson and Nicholson. SEE ATTACHED SCHEDULE A.
- 5.0 Unfinished Business
 - 5.1 Study of the Strong Farm, War Memorial Tower, Lucina Chapel and Hockanum Company House: No report. Chairman Hurd will complete the work with a review by the PZC planned after acceptance by the LHPC.
- 6.0 New Business – Sustainable Connecticut Certification. Shaun Gately presented the program that the Town of Vernon is in the process of preparing through the CCM in conjunction with Eastern CT State University. A “silver” designation is the intended goal and will enable the Town to apply for various grants and to receive recognition. Item 4.5 – Inventory and Assess Historic Resources, pertains to the LHPC. Town Council approval with a goal of September 1, 2019 for CCM submission is needed. An inventory has been completed, guidelines published and workshops are planned for this Spring. It was agreed that the requirements have been or will be met.
- 7.0 The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m. by unanimous consent.

~~DRAFT FOR APPROVAL~~

Carol S. Nelson, Secretary

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Date Approved:

April 11, 2019



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Minutes – Schedule A – November 8, 2018

- 4.1 Application for Special Permit and Site Plan Approval, PZ 2018-13, Strong Family Farm
Chairman Hurd, Carol Nelson and Wil Nicholson recused themselves due to their respective relationships with the applicant. Members and alternates Iacobello, Sierakowski and Trapp heard the presentation by the applicant.

Wendy Wanchak and Seana Weaver presented the proposed application for a Special Permit for Adaptive Reuse to allow preservation and reuse of the farm property by the Strong Family Farm, Inc. (SFFI).

SFFI will preserve the character and existing contents of the property enhancing the visual appearance and the agricultural history of the property.

SFFI will open the farm for educational and agricultural purposes.

SFFI will attempt to generate income sufficient to become a self-supporting organization.

Motion made and seconded to support the request of SFFI for the Special Permit for Adaptive Reuse to allow future preservation of the farm property and its contents. The motion carried unanimously.